

VILLAGE OF SLEEPY HOLLOW
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

MAY 5, 2008

The regular meeting of the Sleepy Hollow Corporate Authorities was called to order at 7:40 p.m. In attendance were President Pickett, Trustees Finney, Fudala, Getz, Wind, and Ziemba, Police Chief Montalbano, Finance Director Volkening, Village Attorney Schuster, Village Engineer Weiss, and Clerk Olson. Trustee Prigge was absent.

President Pickett explained the rules for speaking under the public comments section of the meeting.

MINUTES:

1. ZIEMBA MOVED WITH A SECOND FROM GETZ TO APPROVE THE REGULAR MEETING MINUTES OF APRIL 21, 2008. MOTION PASSED.

PRESIDENT:

1. The Fox Valley Cable Consortium held a meeting regarding the Comcast franchise agreement that has been under negotiation for three years. They are now discussing the enactment of similar ordinances to those with AT&T combining cable and video services. The current contract extension expires at the end of this month. Village Attorney Schuster is reviewing the matter and will have ordinances for board review at the next meeting.

CLERK:

No report.

PLAN COMMISSION:

No report.

ZONING COMMISSION:

No report.

ZBA:

Pro-tem Chairman Dirk Fuqua reviewed application #264 for 751 Sycamore, a request for a setback variance to build a garage addition for a third bay. The ZBA voted unanimously to deny the variance as there is no demonstrated hardship. The encroachment is 15' into the 35' setback. When the house was constructed, the setback was 25'. No neighbors were present at the ZBA hearing. Trustee Finney felt this was not detrimental to the neighborhood and was beneficial to the resident. He would like to see a drawing of the proposed addition. The Board wished to ensure that the addition would blend in with the current structure, roofing, etc. WIND MOVED WITH A SECOND FROM FINNEY TO APPROVE THE VARIANCE REQUEST. AYE: WIND, FINNEY, FUDALA, GETZ. NAY: ZIEMBA. MOTION PASSED.

ATTORNEY:

1. Mr. Schuster will have a report for the next meeting on conditions in Sabatino Park.

ENGINEER:

1. The Glen Oak watershed report was again reviewed. The Board would like the estimated cost of \$12,000 to be incorporated into the MFT program.

2. On the recommendation of the engineer, GETZ MOVED WITH A SECOND FROM WIND TO REMOVE THE ROAD WEIGHT RESTRICTIONS. MOTION PASSED.

3. The engineer noted that there is \$26,000 budgeted for the crack seal program for this year and it is recommended that this instead be used for pothole patching. Although this could be included in the MFT program, it was suggested the Village may get more patching done for the money by using an independent contractor for the work and not going through IDOT. The engineer will look into this further and report back to the board.
4. The police garage door water problem was reviewed. It would not be feasible to take the water directly to the creek, so the engineer suggests a trench drain to take the water to an existing catch basin which would cost about \$5,500. This program could be included in an MFT program for underground work and would require approval by IDOT before proceeding. The engineer suggested the Board approve this work and the Glen Oak work as a separate project and submit to IDOT now since the road program will not be submitted until the fall. Trustee Ziemba asked if the work could be done first and then submitted for reimbursement to IDOT.
5. The engineers have not yet prepared an estimate for the Lake Sharon dam repair project as it will be difficult to do without knowing the soil conditions. They would prefer to obtain soil borings first, which would cost approximately \$4,500. This will be on the agenda for consideration at the next meeting.

Brian Muhich of Insurance Plans Agency distributed a booklet on insurance program options and reviewed it with the Board. He would recommend replacing one of the three medical options for the employees as no one is currently using the option. The 14 employees in the plan are using the other two options. Brian would recommend replacing the option with an HSA plan. He is obtaining rates from other insurance companies but is unable to complete the underwriting to obtain the quotes as one employee has not yet returned the application. The anticipated increase in the current BCBS medical plan is about 14% if renewed. The current dental plan would increase almost 7% and the vision plan would remain the same. Brian submitted several additional renewal options in his proposal booklet for the Board's review. He noted that if the Village chose to have a high deductible plan, the premium savings are such that the Board could pay the employee's deductible and still come out ahead. The Board preferred to hold off any decisions until we have final quotes from other insurance. The Village should have all information from Brian within a month.

DIRECTOR OF FINANCE:

1. ZIEMBA MOVED WITH A SECOND FROM GETZ TO APPROVE THE ACCOUNTS PAYABLE OF MAY 5, 2008 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$155,936.30. AYE: ZIEMBA, GETZ, FINNEY, FUDALA, WIND. MOTION PASSED.
2. ZIEMBA MOVED WITH A SECOND FROM GETZ TO APPROVE ORDINANCE NO. 2008-7 ENTITLED "AN ORDINANCE MAKING APPROPRIATION TRANSFERS FOR CORPORATE PURPOSES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING MAY 1, 2007 AND ENDING APRIL 30, 2008. AYE: ZIEMBA, GETZ, FINNEY, FUDALA, WIND. MOTION PASSED.
3. ZIEMBA MOVED WITH A SECOND FROM GETZ TO APPROVE THE YEAR END OPERATING TRANSFERS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2008. AYE: ZIEMBA, GETZ, FINNEY, FUDALA, WIND. MOTION PASSED.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC:

1. Colleen Goldberg of Sycamore Lane thanked the Board for approving her variance request. She said that none of her neighbors object to this addition. She asked the Board about the next steps in this process and was advised to wait until an ordinance approving the variance is presented at the next board meeting.

PARKS, ROADS & STREETS:

No report.

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FINANCE:

1. Trustee Ziemba distributed and briefly reviewed the financial statements.
2. ZIEMBA MOVED WITH A SECOND FROM GETZ TO APPROVE THE SALARY RATES FOR 2009 AS PRESENTED. ZIEMBA, GETZ, FINNEY, FUDALA. NAY: WIND. MOTION PASSED.
3. Ziemba moved to approve the 2009 operating budget. However, the Board preferred to defer approval until Trustee Prigge was also present. ZIEMBA MOVED WITH A SECOND FROM GETZ TO TABLE THE APPROVAL TO THE NEXT BOARD MEETING. MOTION PASSED.
4. Draft minutes from the April Finance Committee meeting were distributed.

WATER & SEWER:

No report.

POLICE & PUBLIC SAFETY:

1. Trustee Wind advised that replica models of the first Sleepy Hollow police cars are available for sale through the S.H.P.D. with all proceeds going to the Illinois Special Olympics.
2. Dundee Township has submitted an intergovernmental agreement for policing of township roads by the Sleepy Hollow Police Dept. WIND MOVED WITH A SECOND FROM ZIEMBA TO DIRECT THE VILLAGE ATTORNEY TO REVIEW THE PROPOSED AGREEMENT. MOTION PASSED.

PUBLIC BUILDINGS & ENVIRONMENTAL:

No report.

BUILDING & ZONING ENFORCEMENT:

1. Trustee Fudala met with the code inspector and has prepared a proposed activity log form for Mr. Lopez. Board comments/suggestions on this log should be given to Trustee Fudala. He also suggested we consider the extra police car for the code inspector's use. Use of a village vehicle would be restricted to the code inspector only with no passengers allowed in the vehicle.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Trustee Finney updated the Board on the 50th anniversary plans, including renaming the Village Hall after founder Floyd Falese. Plans for three movie nights in the Village are underway. He noted that we need to work more on the "green" aspects of the 50th anniversary. There are possible plans for a soap box derby and bed frame race, among other events.
2. There has been no response from the contractor concerning the dead trees on Sleepy Hollow Road. Nicor will be contacted again.
3. It has been heard that the cell tower previously considered for Village property will be erected on the property of the new Sleepy Hollow resident on Boncosky Road.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. The Sleepy Hollow entry signs are showing wear and should be renovated and preserved.

ZIEMBA MOVED WITH A SECOND FROM GETZ TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 9:15 P.M.
MOTION PASSED.

Respectfully submitted,
Norine Olson, Village Clerk

